Man, nephew electrocuted by high-voltage wires in Dadu

By Qurban Ali Khushik

DADU: A man and his nephew were electrocuted and three others injured after receiving electric shocks from high-voltage wires passing over residential houses in Borari town near Kakar town in Dadu district.

The bodies remained lying on the spot with 11000 KV wires for several hours, which caused panic among the locals.

According to rescue officials, the victims have been identified as 10-year-old Shahzeb, son of Shehzad Junejo, and his 25-year-old uncle Muhammad Aslam, son of Andal Junejo.

In the same incident, one Rehman Junejo and two women were injured due to electric shocks. They were shifted to the DHQ Hospital K.N.Shah, where doctors described their condition as critical.

Local residents reported that high-voltage electricity wires were hanging dangerously over more than 50 houses in Borari town. Complaints were made repeatedly to Wapda, but the authorities allegedly ignored the issue, the said.

Following the incident, the area plunged into mourning, with emotional scenes among the affected families. The heirs staged a protest against Wapda's alleged negligence. The angry residents and relatives blocked the Indus Highway in a sit-in, disrupting the vehicular traffic.

The protesters have demanded immediate action to remove hazardous electricity wires to prevent further loss of life.

"Several times, the villagers requested to Wapda officials of K.N. Shah and Dadu for removing 11000KV wires, but no one took notice and the incident occurred," said one of the protesters, Ahmed Ali Junejo.

He said that if the issue was not addressed, more people would fall victim to the wires, said Ashiq Hussain Junejo, a resident of Borari town.

"No official from Wapda or the administration of K.N. Shah or the elected representatives visited the affected families," said Mashooq Ali Junejo, another local resident.

Two policemen injured in firing by outlaws

By Our Correspondent

LARKANA: Two police constables sustained injuries when armed outlaws fired at them when they were returning after performing night duty at the Bagh Laro picket on Gaibidero Road of Qambar-Shahdadkot district in the jurisdiction of Drigh police station in the early hours of Wednesday.

Identified as Ali Asghar Babar and Amjad Jhatyal, the injured were shifted to the Larkana Trauma Center for better medical treatment, where the relevant welfare officer was in constant coordination with doctors, said a DIG Larkana spokesman.

DIG Larkana Nasir Aftab took strict notice of the incident and contacted SSP Qambar-Shahdadkot Hassan Sardar Ahmed Khan Niazi and directed the authorities to cordon off the area and launch a search operation.

He also ordered immediate arrest of the suspects involved in the incident. Additional police force, along with an APC vehicle, has been dispatched from the range to assist in the operation.

HYDERABAD: People purchase second-hand shoes from a roadside vendor as inflation means the common man has to opt for more economical options.—INP

Referee judge dismisses plea for appointment in education dept on deceased quota

Matter sent to Justice Chaudhry after split decision by SHC division bench

By Ishaq Tanoli

KARACHI: A referee judge of the Sindh High Court has dismissed an application seeking an appointment to the education department on the deceased quota after a split decision by a division bench of the SHC.

Justice Adnan Iqbal Chaudhry noted that the judgement of the Supreme Court handed down in 2024 against the deceased or son quota would also affect applications under process by relevant authorities while the appointment of the petitioner had also not been made yet.

Sanaullah petitioned the SHC last year seeking directive for deputy commissioner (DC) of Larkana to convene a meeting of the district recruitment committee (DRC) for his appointment as junior clerk (BPS-11) in the school education and literacy department under Rule 11-A of the Sindh Civil Servants (Appointment, Promotion and Transfer) Rules (APT Rules), 1974 on the deceased quota as recommended by the scrutiny committee.

The petitioner asserted that a scrutiny committee headed by chief secretary of Sindh found him eligible for appointment on such post and forwarded his case for further process by the DRC.

However, the DC in comments argued that 36 cases were referred to the DRC for appointment on the deceased quota including the petitioner and the meeting was scheduled for October 2024, but in the meanwhile the Supreme Court had handed down the judgement in the case of General Post Office Islamabad vs Muhammad Jalal declaring Rule 11-A and all other rules and policies providing deceased or son quota in government service as unconstitutional.

Initially, a two-judge bench of the SHC comprising Justice Muhammad Saleem Jessar and Justice Adnan-ul-Karim Memon had dismissed the petition in March last year in view of the fact that Rule 11-A of the APT had since been omitted.

Thereafter, the petitioner had preferred a review application on the ground that the SC's judgement did not operate retrospectively to apply to his case as the scrutiny committee had already processed the application for appointment on the deceased quota prior to the judgement in question and such aspect was overlooked by the bench in dismissing his petition.

Justice Jessar was inclined to allow the review application, recalled dismissal order and directed the respondents to consider the petitioner's case for appointment on the deceased quota under Rule 11-A of the APT Rules.

He had noted that while dismissing the petition the bench did not notice that the SC's judgement did not operate retrospectively and such aspect constituted an error of law apparent on the face of the record thus meriting a review.

On the other hand, Justice Memon dismissed the review application and observed that the bench had duly considered the question of retrospectivity before dismissing petition and thus, there was no error apparent on the record to consider a review as the SC's judgement had only saved appointments already made and it was binding precedent to stop any further appointment under Rule 11-A.

Therefore, the matter was referred to Justice Chaudhry to decide the same and he noted that the petitioner's application for appointment had been cleared by scrutiny committee, but it was far from an "appointment already made" as the DRC had yet to convene to assess his credentials and competence.

"Clearly, the Supreme Court was conscious that its judgment will hit applications under process by relevant authorities, but did not exempt those from the purview of its declaration while exempting only the appointments already made and rules/polices made for legal heirs of martyred personnel and those for civil servants who become victims of terrorist activities", he added.

The referee judge also noted that the SC had issued further direction that offending rules and policies should be withdrawn forthwith leaving no doubt that the intent was to stop further orders of appointment on the deceased and son quota. Therefore, the review application was not maintainable to begin with, he concluded.

Sindh introduces e-transfer platform for schoolteachers

By Our Staff Reporter

KARACHI: The Sindh education department on Wednesday rolled out an online teacher and employee transfer platform, marking a major step towards digitising the province's school administration.

Provincial Education Minister Syed Sardar Ali Shah announced that the e-transfer system would become fully operational on Jan 15 (today).

"The digital platform will promote transparency and merit by replacing the traditional paper-based process with a digitalised workflow," he said.

The minister mentioned that the cabinet had approved the initiative as part of a broader drive to modernise the school education department.

Under the new system, teachers can submit transfer applications online and track the status of their requests from home.

The first phase of the initiative includes all 133,547 teachers currently serving in Sindh — 105,258 primary schoolteachers and 28,289 junior elementary schoolteachers — with plans to extend the service to all department employees at a later stage.

Talking to *Dawn*, the education minister said the phased rollout had been designed to generate "effective results" while allowing the department to fine-tune the platform.

"The digital shift will save time, cut administrative costs, and eliminate unnecessary bureaucratic hurdles, he added.

Mr Shah said that the move aligned with the provincial government's wider digital-transformation agenda, aiming to make administrative processes more efficient and accountable.

SAI calls for opening Afghan border for trade

By Mohammad Hussain Khan

HYDERABAD: The Sindh Abadgar Ittehad (SAI) has demanded the federal government to exempt export of onion from taxes as farmers cannot make do with inadequate prices of the commodity offered in the local market.

The demand was made at the SAI's meeting held on Wednesday in Tando Mohammad Khan under the chairmanship of Nawab Zubair Talpur, president of the *abadgar* body.

The meeting warned that the issue should be given serious attention. It also demanded opening of the Afghanistan border for trade of agriculture commodities.

The meeting also drew attention of the Sindh government towards the issue. It also regretted that sugar factory owners were also going for low crushing of sugar cane during the ongoing cane season and that was causing losses to sugar cane producers.

It noted that Kashmore's Mooslabad Shakh was closed intentionally, which was condemnable as it had inundated standing crops. The meeting deplored the fact that corruption had affected work in the lining of 22-RDs from Almani regulator to Dekh Mori.

The meeting noted with grave concern that spurious seed, pesticides and fertiliser were being sold in Sindh and it was time that the federal and provincial governments should pay attention to it.

It urged the Sindh government to identify the billions of rupees worth cold storages which it had mentioned in Sindh. It said that no such cold storages existed in Sindh.

The meeting described the closure of the Afghanistan border as detrimental to the local farm sector. Observing that growers were bearing economic losses, it asked who would pay compensation to them. It demanded that the Afghanistan border should be opened to save farmers.

The SAI criticised the government for not doing any research on diseases afflicting onion and banana. It said that it was disappointing to see that research bodies established at a cost of billions of rupees were doing nothing.

It said that the diseases affecting banana and onion were not even diagnosed. It feared if the situation persisted, onion and banana would vanish from Sindh.

Protest held against shifting of AIOU campus from Kandhkot

By Our Correspondent

SUKKUR: People staged a demonstration on Wednesday in protest against the closure of the Allama Iqbal Open University (AIOU) campus in Kandhkot.

A large number of citizens and students gathered outside the Deputy Commissioner's Office to protest the decision for shifting the AIOU campus from Kandhkot to Sukkur, calling the move an "anti-education" conspiracy.

During the demonstration, the participants raised slogans against the shifting.

The protest was addressed by Ghulam Mustafa Mirani (district emir of the Jamaat-i-Islami), Dr Mehar Chand (president of Shehri Ittehad), Zareet Sagar Bijarani (district president of the SUP), Shabbir Mirani, Maulvi Rafiuddin Channa, Shahnawaz Marheto and others.

They said the district was already among the most backward areas in the country, with no other government institutions providing affordable and accessible education to the poor at their doorstep.

The degrees offered in local colleges were extremely expensive, making the AIOU campus the only viable option for the underprivileged residents, they observed.

Moving the AIOU campus to Sukkur is seen as a conspiracy to keep the local population deprived of education.

The people and students of the district have long demanded that the federal government and elected representatives establish a university in the district to spread the light of knowledge.

The protesters demanded that the AIOU campus remain in Kandhkot and that campuses of other universities also be established in the area.

Bilawal warns against plot

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had assured the campus would be upgraded to a university before the end of the government's term.

Highlighting the PPP government's focus on social sectors, Mr Bhutto-Zardari said the number of universities in Sindh had doubled under PPP administrations, with further growth when campuses were included. He said similar progress had been made in healthcare and power generation wherever the party had governed.

The PPP chief expressed satisfaction over the strong presence of female students at the Thar campus, calling it a realisation of Benazir Bhutto's vision of equal educational opportunities for women.

He also welcomed students from Gilgit-Baltistan studying at the institute, saying it reflected Sindh's inclusive approach.

Speaking on the occasion, Sindh Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah said Tharparkar had undergone a visible transformation under successive PPP governments, adding that the desert region now stood at the centre of Sindh's development vision.

He said the Sindh government put in place an investment framework that led to rapid infrastructure development. "Today, the journey from Karachi to Thar can be completed in about four hours, while air travel has reduced it to 20 to 25 minutes," he said.

Provincial Minister for Universities and Boards Muhammad Ismail Rahoo, PPP lawmaker Mahesh Malani, NED University Vice Chancellor Dr Tufail Jokhio and others also attended the event.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI
I.A. No. 57 of 2025

M/s. Zaral Taraqiatl Bank Ltd,..... APPELLANT
VERSUS
Muhammad Haroon.....RESPONDENT

NOTICE TO: -
MUHAMMAD HAROON
S/o Malik Sher Muhammad,
R/o House No. 3011-1, Street No. 3,
Daryabad, Sheikh Abdul Rasheed Road,
Lyari, Karachi.....RESPONDENT

WHEREAS the above named appellant has preferred an Appeal Under Section 22 of Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) Ordinance, 2001 against the Order dated 19.11.2024 passed by the learned Banking Court No. III at Karachi in Suit No. 101 of 2021.

Whereas, the above mater fixed on 17.12.2025 for hearing of main case, when the Hon'ble Court has been pleased to pass the following Order which relevant part as under:-

"Since the Respondents are unserved, they will be served by all modes, including Electronic mode and Publication for the next date."

AND

Take Notice of Appeal that you are hereby required to appear in this Hon'ble Court in person or by a pleacer duly instructed on **21.01.2026 (21st January, 2026) AT 08:15 A.M.** to show cause as to why the said Appeal should not be admitted failing wherein the said Appeal will be heard, admitted and decided in your absence.

Also take notice that in default of your filing an address for service on or before the date mentioned hereinabove, you are liable to have your defence struck off.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court, this 09th day of January, 2026.

BY ORDER
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR
(CIVIL APPELLATE BRANCH)

BEFORE MR. MUHAMMAD SAAD QURESHI (JUDGE)
IN THE BANKING COURT NO. I, AT KARACHI
Block-55- Pakistan Secretariat, near Passport Office Saddar, Karachi
SUIT NO.18 OF 2026

M/S. FAYSAL BANK LIMITED, HAVING ITS REGISTERED OFFICE AT FAYSAL HOUSE, ST-02, SHAHRAH-E-FAYSAL, KARACHI..... **PLAINTIFF**
VERSUS
MUHAMMAD ANWER CHOUDHARY S/0 CHOUDHARY MUHAMMAD MUNIR MUSLIM, ADULT, RESIDENT OF HOUSE NO. B-85, SECOND FLOOR, BLOCK 13-D, GULSHAN E-IQBAL., KARACHI. CNIC H 42101-9365435-1 AND BUNGALOW NO. D-114, MEASURING 320.84 SQ YARDS, SITUATED AT KDA, SCHEME 24, GULSHAN E-IQBAL, KARACHI.....**DEFENDANTS**

To. The above named Defendant.

Whereas the Plaintiff abovenamed has instituted a Suit against you under the Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) Ordinance 2001 for **Rs.43,654,064.51 ALONG WITH LIQUIDATED DAMAGES, COST OF FUNDS CHARGES COSTS TILL THE REALISATION OF THE WHOLE AMOUNT**, balance of principle and markup due to you ; you are therefore hereby summoned to obtain leave from the Court within 30 days from the service hereof to appear and defend the suit, and within such time to cause an appearance to be entered for you. In default whereof the plaintiff will be entitled at any time after the expiration of such 30 days to obtain a decree for any sum not exceeding the sum of **RS. 43,654,064.51** and sum of Rs.(Not Yet determined) for costs together with such markup and cost of fund, if any, from the date of institution of the suit as the Court may order. Leave to appear may be obtained on an application to the Court supported by affidavit or declaration showing that there is a defence to the suit on the merits, or that it is reasonable that ycu should be allowed to appear in the suit.

Matter is fixed on 02 day of March, 2026 at 9:00 A.M. before the banking court-I, Karachi. Given under my hand and seal of the court this 14th day of January, 2026.

BY ORDER
READER
BANKING COURT No. I, KARACHI

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI
I.A. No. 62 of 2025

M/s. Zaral Taraqiati Bank Ltd.....APPELLANTT
VERSUS
Mst. Parveen Bibi.....RESPONDENT

NOTICE TO: -
MST. PARVEEN BIBI (LATE) Widow of Parveez Massih Late, Through her legal heirs; **1) Mr. Haroon Masih, 2) Mr. Tariz Masih** Both son of late Parveez Masih, By cast Christian, Adults, Resident of House No. 542, Essa Nagri, Gulshan-e-Iqbal, Karachi.....**RESPONDENTS**

WHEREAS the abovenamed appellant has preferred an Appeal Under Section 22 of Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) Ordinance, 2001 against the Judgment dated 22.10.2024 passed by the learned Banking Court No. III at Karachi in Suit No. 98 of 2021.

Whereas, the above mater fixed on 17.12.2025 for hearing of main case, when the Hon'ble Court has been pleased to pass the following Order which relevant part as under:-

"Since the Respondents are unsorved, they will be served by all modes, including Electronic mode and Publication for the next date."

AND

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Given under my hand and the seal of the Court, this 09th day of January, 2026.

BY ORDER
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR
CIVIL APPLELLATE KARACHI

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI
I.A. No. 58 of 2025

M/s. Zarai Taraqiati Bank Ltd.....APPELLANT
VERSUS
Ishrat Ali & others.....RESPONDENT

NOTICE TO: -
ISHRAT ALI S/o Yasin Khan Through his legal heirs;
1) Mst. Raisa Begum 2) Rehan Khan 3) Shahbaz Khan 4) Anwer Khan 5) Shazib Khan 6) Remsha 7) Shmroz Khan 8) Iqra 9) Hamza Khan All Muslims, Adults, Resident of House No. 506, Sector 36/F, Block 5A, Landhi, Karach.....**RESPONDENTS**

WHEREAS the above named appellant has preferred an Appeal Under Section 22 of Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) Ordinance, 2001 against the Order dated 09.01.2025 passed by the learned Banking Court No III at Karachi in Suit No. 46 of 2021.

Whereas, the above mater fixed on 17.12.2025 for hearing of main case, when the Hon'ble Court has been pleased to pass the following Order which relevant part as under:-

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Given under my hand and the seal of the Court, this **09th day of January, 2026.**

BY ORDER
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR
CIVIL APPLELLATE KARACHI

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Soyem for our beloved **Dr. Naseem Fatima Naqvi**
w/o late Dr. S. Ali Jaffar Naqvi

will be held on **January 15, 2026, Rajab 26, 1447 AH**
at **Masjid-e-Yasrib, D.H.A Phase 4**

Quran Khwani: 2:00 PM
Majlis: 3:00 PM

Mourners:

Bano, Gohar, Alizeh, Akeel Zaidi
Rabab Batool Naqvi
Sakina Batool Naqvi and Matthew Giddings

Lt. Gen® S. Tanwir Naqvi and Narjis Naqvi
Vice Adm.® S. Tauquir Naqvi and Subhi Naqvi
S. Tathir Naqvi and Rakhshan Naqvi
Fatima Naqvi
Zehra Naqvi

Ali, Abbas, Abid, Asad, Ali Akbar, Kulsoom, Kaazim Naqvi and families.

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